

HOMILY: The Fifth Sunday of Easter May 14th 2017

Theme:

Introduction (Story)

How do I get there from here. That question used to be part of every car trip to an unfamiliar place , -at least when the wife got her way and the husband asked for directions . –

A young wife and her new husband some years ago invited me to dinner. I took down the address but these were the days before everyone had some sort of a GPS system and all had a cell phone. I had neither at the time and got lost roaming around the developments for an hour and a half and terribly upsetting the young married couple.

Well now I have a GPS; and I don't ask the How do I get there from here question much, at least when it comes to driving .But it is a question I ask, and perhaps you also ask, when it comes to our spiritual life.

So we join Thomas in today's gospel and ask: How do I get there from here? And Jesus says to Thomas and us "I am the way the truth and the life".

But where exactly is there. Heaven is the final goal of the race of our lives. But not just heaven. There is living our spiritual lives to the fullest. There is bringing our Lord and his message to the world. This is what we all want.

Jesus is the way. When we focus on Him. He draws us to Himself. He draws us away from the distractions, away from the noise . The One who loved us to death, now loves us to life if only we let Him into our lives.

CONCLUSION

**Our spiritual life is a long distance race. Our eyes are fixed on the leader of the race, Christ Himself. He draws us to Himself and gives us the energy to sprint to the finish line. He gives us the power to get there.
AMEN.**

**All Comments or suggestions are welcome.
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